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In re application of:

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Methods for Separating a

Tocopherol from a Tocopherol-

Containing Mixture and **Compositions Thereof** 

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Sir:

I, Charles E. Sumner, Jr., do declare and state that:

- I have read and understand the specification and the claims pending as of 1. April 2, 2002 of the present application, Serial No. 09/360,947, and I have read and understand U.S. Patent Nos. 6,159,347 and 6,224,717.
- I am the sole inventor of the claimed invention of the present application, 2. Serial No. 09/360,947. Counsel for Eastman Chemical Company determined that I alone conceived of every feature of the claimed invention in its definite and permanent form, and the co-inventors of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,159,347 and 6,224,717, John D. Moncier, Jeffrey S. Kanel, and Mary K. Foster did not contribute to the conception of the invention as claimed in the present application.



3. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such wilful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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